

Amendments to the Specification:

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A Portable Data Storage Device Which Simultaneously Writes To Using Multiple Nand Flash Memory Devices

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ABSTRACT

A portable data storage device includes a USB interface~~-3~~, a USB controller~~-2~~, a master control unit~~-7~~, and two or more NAND flash memory devices~~-9, 10~~. The master control unit ~~7~~ can send data to the NAND flash memory devices ~~9, 10~~ simultaneously through parallel respective 8-bit buses. The master control unit ~~7~~ controls the operation of the memory devices ~~9, 10~~ by sending them identical control data through respective control signal lines~~-6, 16~~. When data is to be stored it is divided into portions which are sent to the respective memory devices~~-9, 10~~, and both memory devices are instructed to store data simultaneously. When data is to be retrieved both are instructed to write data back simultaneously to the MCU.